**American Government**

**Focus Questions – Ch. 4, sec. 2**

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1. Explain the National Government’s obligations toward the States. Explain the obligation and the constitutional background for each.
2. Republican form of government
3. Invasion and internal disorder
4. Territorial integrity
5. Explain the steps in admitting new states to the Union.
6. What is the one restriction put on Congress for admitting new states?
7. Explain the examples of conditions for admission.
8. What do we mean by “shared” powers in the discussion of federalism?
9. Explain the following terms:

a. grants-in-aid - Give 3 examples.

b. categorical grants - What strings are attached?

c. block grants

d. project grants

1. What do critics of the grants-in-aid programs argue?
2. Explain other forms of federal aid.
3. How do the states aid the National government?